

PRESIDENT IS NEGOTIATING FOR FURTHER DISARMAMENT

House Informed That Mr. Harding Has Been Engaged for
Several Months on the Question With Big Powers—
Would Limit the Construction of Warships Under 10
000 Tons—Information of the President's Attitude
Comes as a Surprise to the House Members.

This information as to the reported attitude of the president was given by Representative Lineberger, republican, California, during a brief flurry of debate while Chairman Kelley of the subcommittee on the Pacific Coast added, "and I am delighted to know that this is true. I must say that I should value the information more, and that I would feel more confident about it if only I could have the gentleman state that he did receive it from the president."

request. It was admittedly a surprise to the committee, which had not consulted the president prior to presentation of the bill.

Mr. Kelley had just declared that while the arms conference had afforded a net saving of \$133,000,000, the general staff

"The gentleman is requesting the president of the United States to do something which we and every one knows that he has been engaged in doing for several

"We have accomplished just this," he said. "We have traded the teen-inch gun for two eight-inch guns and Representative Britten, Illinois, a leading republican of the naval committee declared: 'We have lost the opportunity to become the first naval power to build a submarine.'"

pressing the hope that the Californians agreed with the idea.

"I do agree with you in principle," he replied.

The only other reference to the president was made by Representative Byrnes.

Generally, the bill had easy sale. Taking item by item, the house had agreed one-fourth of the distance when quit tonight, and it will be held in tomorrow while an election contest given right of way.

<p>FARM BLOC TO HASTEN REPORT OF CREDITS BILL</p> <p>Washington, Dec. 14.—Plans were made today by senate champions of farm credits legislation to bring to a</p>	<p>SMALL WOOLEN MILL DECLARE 3.233 PER CENT. STOCK DIVIDEND</p> <p>Boston, Dec. 14.—Stock dividend larations by textile mills continued day. A new high water mark in the increase of capitalization from the</p>
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Instead of waiting for the senate to pass the bill, the administration is making a shipping bill in the senate. The test, it was said, might be made tomorrow or Saturday and not later than Monday, with the result in doubt in view of the new program of the agrarian group.

farm credits bill, members of the farm bloc who also are opponents of the shipping measure laid plans today to urge the Norris agricultural export corporation bill for immediate consideration to the temporary misplacement of the shipping bill.

The senate agriculture committee was called to meet tomorrow to act on the Norris bill. Committee members said they expected the bill to be reported favorably tomorrow or Saturday and declared they would urge its being given immediate right of way in the senate.

Administration leaders promised to

The Cornell Mills of Fall River, ten cloth makers, and the Stevens Works, of Dudley, made known plans to increase their capitalizations to 50 per cent. stock dividends.

The shipping bill was attacked by Senator Fletcher, of Florida, demagogue, as unsound and unwise. Declaring he favored building up an American merchant marine as much as any administration, he said that the bill was authorized by stockholders of the United States Bobbin and Shuttle companies, Providence, R. I., increasing the Ital stock from \$55,000 to \$255,000. The Hoxbury Carpet company declared a dividend of 100 per cent. in preferred stock, aggregating \$1,000,000, to be paid in cash.

"We need an American merchant marine," he declared, "but that's not saying we must pay a subsidy of \$30,000,000 annually for fifty years to a few private operators. A subsidy will not give it to us. Subsidy never, ever has."

**DRASTIC PROVISION FOR THE
REGULATION OF UNION LABOR**

New York Dec. 14.—Samuel Untermyer

er, counsel for a Lockwood legislative committee, today introduced before that body a program to be introduced in the next state legislature what is believed to contain the most drastic provisions for the regulation of organized labor that has ever been proposed in this or any

Uptermeyer's program included a state trade commission bill, to be accompanied by a memorial to congress, asking that the federal trade commission be given enlarged powers; that the workmen's compensation insurance law be amended; that the constitution and by-laws of labor

As one of the first magnitude it was easily spotted. It was said, but

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

New Haven, Dec. 14.—Former United States Marshal William R. Palmer, member of the democratic state central committee from the Seventeenth district, tonight was the center of a great commotion on the night of November 13, when no star so bright in the position of a comet was seen.

Photographs made since also reveal a Nova.

Whether Sewerly saw a stray that flashed once with unusual brilliancy and then hid its light under a bush, or whether it was a comet, is not known.

was announced in resignation from that body at a meeting of the committee here. Mr. Palmer said that he felt he had served "long enough." The committee took no action on the resignation.

Plans for the party organization were discussed and a committee consisting of executive officers was appointed. It

It was also announced that a caucus

the New Haven County Bar association here tonight. Dean Swan said that in addition to purely training at least two years of work be required. Judge John L. son, of the probate court, who spoke, traced the history of the

bishop Pietro Fumasoni-Biondi has been appointed apostolic delegate in Washington to succeed Monsignor Giovanni Bonpane, who was raised to the cardinalate in the last consistory.